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Letter dated 29 December 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government and with reference to my previous letters, I have the honour to inform you below of the series of Israeli violations of Lebanese sovereignty by land, sea and air occurring from 26 December 2000 to 28 December 2000.

Violations on 26 December 2000

Time	*Place*	*Observations*
1155-1200	Israeli helicopter over Ruwaysat al-Alam in Shab'a Farms	
2300-2400	Israeli helicopters over Shab'a Farms	

Violations on 27 December 2000

Time	*Place*	*Observations*
1000	Four objectives over Damur	Medium altitude
1000	Two objectives over Jubayl	Medium altitude
1000	Two objectives over the western Bekaa	Medium altitude
1015	Two maritime objectives 7 miles off the coast from Beirut	Medium altitude
1015	Military flight over the western Bekaa	Medium altitude
1230-1430	A reconnaissance aircraft over Shab'a Farms	Very high altitude

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Violations on 28 December 2000

Time	*Place*	*Observations*
1100	South-north	Military flight
1140	Nabatiyah	Military flight
1150	Tyre	Military flight at very high altitude
1250	Shab'a	Helicopters
1400	South-north	Military flight
1530 and 1700	Shab'a Farms	Combing with medium-weapon fire. Reconnaissance aircraft flight
1810 and 1825	Shab'a Farms	Helicopters and a reconnaissance aircraft

The new series of Israeli violations, which follows upon previous ones, constitutes a blatant violation of resolution 425 (1978) and of the sovereignty of Lebanon and a threat to stability in the region.

The Lebanese Government calls upon the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures to put a definitive halt to these violations.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as an official document of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 40, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Sélim **Tadmoury**
Permanent Representative